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TO AMEMBASSY GUATEMALA IMMEDIATE

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SUBJECT: POSTPONEMENT OF FMC ACTION ON GUATEMALA

REFERENCE: GUATEMALA 6098

AT DEPARTMENT'S REQUEST (REFERENCE TELEGRAM) FEDERAL MARI-
TIME COMMISSION AGREED SEPTEMBER 1 TO POSTPONE SECTION 19
ACTION AGAINST GUATEMALA. POSTPONEMENT WILL BE FOR TWO
MONTHS, UNTIL NOVEMBER 1. FMC HAS INFORMED DEPARTMENT THAT
THEY HAVE MADE THIS DECISION WITH THE GREATEST RELUCTANCE,
AND IT IS EXTREMELY UNLIKELY THAT THEY WOULD AGREE TO ANY
FURTHER POSTPONEMENT. THE FMC ASKED TO BE INFORMED OF ANY
DEVELOPMENTS IN GUATEMALA WHICH WOULD ENABLE THE COMMISSION
TO BEGIN SECTION 19 ACTION EARLIER THAN NOVEMBER 1. DEPART-
MENT UNDERTOOK TO KEEP FMC INFORMED. CONTINUED EMBASSY RE-
PORTING WILL BE APPRECIATED, INCLUDING ESTIMATE OF EFFECT ON
US-GOG RELATIONS OF IMPOSITION OF SECTION 19 PENALTIES. ROBINSON

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